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**Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed July 15, 2002, that resulted in Applicants having claims that have been twice or finally rejected.

Applicants request that the fee of \$320.00 for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)) be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16991.011. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for in the papers accompanying this Notice are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16991.011. A duplicate copy of this Notice is attached.

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